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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action bearing a mailing date of May 22, 2002, hereinafter "the Office Action", Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks and the accompanying formal drawings. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. A previous Office Action bearing a mailing date of October 4, 2001 is hereinafter referred to as "the Earlier Office Action".

The Office Action set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months from the mailing date of the Office Action, making response due on August 22, 2002. This Amendment is being timely filed.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 14-15 without prejudice.